

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

JANSSENS *et al.*

Appl. No. 08/896,053

Filed: July 17, 1997

For: **Method of Inducing Vasodilation
and Treating Pulmonary
Hypertension Using Adenoviral-
Mediated Transfer of the Nitric
Oxide Synthase Gene**

Art Unit: 1632

Examiner: Beckerleg, A.M.S.

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Petition For Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

It is hereby requested that the period for filing an Appeal Brief be extended five (5) months from February 27, 2000 to July 27, 2000 by the filing of this Petition and fee payment.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)) is believed to be \$1,850.00 for a five-month extension for a large entity. Fee payment is provided in our accompanying Check No. 28222. However, if extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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**Authorization To Treat A Reply As Incorporating An Extension Of Time
Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3)**

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Sir:

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to treat any concurrent or future reply that requires a petition for an extension of time under this paragraph for its timely submission, as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge all required extension of time fees to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036, if such fees are not otherwise provided for in such reply. A duplicate copy of this authorization is enclosed.

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